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1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH GUIDANCE PARA 3 REF A AND AS FORE-
CAST PARA 1B REF B, GENERAL FOURNAIS PRESENTED HIS NATO
INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING TO CMC HILL-NORTON ON JANUARY 11.
AMONG SMALL GROUP ALSO PRESENT WERE USMILREP WEINEL AND
USNATO DEFAD LEGERE.

2. ALTHOUGH NOT AS DRAMATICALLY IMPRESSIVE AS MR. JOHN
HUGHES OF DIA, GENERAL FOURNAIS WAS IN FULL COMMAND OF
HIS DIFFICULT AND EXTENSIVE MATERIAL AND CAME ACROSS VERY
WELL IN THE APPROXIMATELY 75 MINUTES OF HIS PRESENTATION.
CMC AND OTHERS OFFERED MINOR SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT.

3. IT IS PERFECTLY CLEAR THAT THE PRESENTATION IS IN
NO WAY A BALANCE BRIEFING, AND CMC WILL DELIVER OPENING
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AND CLOSING REMARKS TO EMPHASIZE THAT POINT, TO NOTE
THAT NATO IS ALSO WORKING ON ITS FORCES, AND TO UNDER-
LINE THAT IT IS THE TRENDS, REPEAT TRENDS, THAT ARE
DISTURBING. US REPS AT BRIEFING DID SUGGEST TO GENERAL
FOURNAIS THAT HE CONSIDER INSERTING VERY BRIEF SIMILAR
STATEMENTS WHEN COVERING THE TWO OR THREE SLIDES THAT
SUMMARIZE INTERNAL SECTIONS -- SUCH AS THE SLIDE
SUMMARIZING STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE FORCES.

4. THERE IS NO CHANGE IN GENERAL FOURNAIS' TRAVEL PLAN

SUMMARIZED IN PARA 1B, REF B.
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